

I am a Continental Airlines frequent flyer and member of its Presidents Club. I support Continental's Petition to the FCC. I want Continental to be able to continue to provide its own wireless service to me and other members at Boston Logan and other airports, which is a free service. I rely on Continental's seamless service wherever I fly. Thank you for ensuring the right of the public to use the wireless service of its choice.

It is my understanding that this airspace is freely available and unregulated. MassPort is hiding behind a false security claim as a reason that Continental Airlines can't run its access point. In a report by News.com's Declan McCullagh, MassPort is claiming that "Continental's free service poses an 'unacceptable potential risk' to communications gear used by the state police and the Transportation Security Administration. In fact, it's own equipment would run on the same frequency. This is simply a statement of greed by MassPort, and the fact that it committed airspace that it did not own to an external vendor in exchange for money. Certainly, Continental customers can't withdraw that much revenue. While I would still have WiFi access, it would cost more money, force me to submit my credit card information over a non-secured network, and rob me of the seamless access that I have in a Continental club, where I can come in, flip open my laptop, and immediately secure a VPN tunnel. I often only have a few minutes to sync old email, and get new. Continental has made this as enjoyable as flying their airline.

Shame on MassPort for wasting Continental's time and money, and trying to steal public domain airspace for their own profit. I urge you to make the right choice for the American public.

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